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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The office of railroad commissioner, held by Gen. Longstreet, will probably be abolished. —— A House committee will probably go to Florida to investigate charges against U. S. District Judge Swayne. —— There is every indication that further negotiations between Japan and Russia will take place. —— Twenty persons killed and thirty-seven injured in a head-on collision of trains near Topeka, Ks. —— British steamer Knight Errant sailed from Norfolk yesterday for Yokohama with 11,500 tons of coal for the Japanese navy. —— The funeral of Gen. Longstreet took place yesterday at Gainesville, Ga. —— Democrats of Alabama will hold a primary for State officers April 11th. —— Revolutionists in San Domingo attacked the city, but were repulsed by government troops. —— Jeweller in Chicago held up in his office and robbed of $4,800 in money and valuables. —— Boiler explosion on the British cruiser Wallaroo killed over forty persons. —— A St. Petersburg dispatch says the probability of war is decreasing. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call easy at 2½@3 per cent; cotton quiet at 12.30c; flour was fairly active with some mills asking 10c more; wheat—spot strong, No. 2 red $1; corn—spot strong; No. 2 nominal; oats—spot firm, No. 2 43½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 6.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 16 degrees; 8 P. M., 35 degrees; maximum, 44 degrees; minimum, 15 degrees; mean, 30 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, .59 inche.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—For North Carolina: Rain and warmer Thursday; Friday rain; variable winds.

New York bakers are on a strike. Of course, they want more "dough."

It was perfectly natural for Mr. Bryan to call on the sage of Wantage. Both of them are croakers.

"Where in the world would one find more genial sunshine?" asks the Augusta *Chronicle*. Why, right here in Wilmington.

The President's special message on the "infant republic" is probably the longest document ever sent to Congress on so small a subject.

As a rule, the country weekly that "clubs" with a metropolitan newspaper makes a mistake. The law of contrast cannot be evaded.

President Barr says there will be no change of policy in the management of the Seaboard Air Line. Does this mean that Wilmington is to have no relief?

"There is nothing in the business outlook to cause uneasiness," says Cornelius Bliss. Oh! that's all right. "Where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise."

Every editor is an engineer or an architect now, and what they don't know about asbestos curtains, fire proof theatres, means of exit, panics, &c, isn't worth considering.

The Atlanta *Journal* is trying to find out who discovered radium. We hope it will succeed, as this is a question of prime importance to every poor man in the country.

Playing the markets may not be gambling, yet poker is a fairer game and you can see where your money goes.—*Durham Herald*. But there's another game of cards that is faro than poker.

We hardly thought the Richmond papers would overlook Phoenix in referring to the Gallego mills fire. *Newport News Times*. They got into the "seething furnace," too. But they are entitled to credit for making no reference to the "fire fiend."

If the ladies perform their duty and take proper advantage of their privileges the year may be a happy one for the old bachelors of spite of themselves.—*Washington Post*. But where do the widowers come in? It is not idle curiosity that prompts us to fire this interrogatory at the *Post*.

Judge Atcheson of the United States District Court at Pittsburg has decided that railroads cannot shield themselves from liability to pay in full for goods lost or destroyed in transit by any printed conditions on their bills of lading or receipts. The judge says that the individual who ships goods is confronted with a similar situation whatever road he may seek to patronize, and he must either submit to the printed conditions or not ship; therefore his submission to the printed conditions is "practically under duress," or compulsory, which is illegal.

SCHOONER SAVED.

The Tugs Blanche and Alexander Jones Floated the Stranded Schooner C. C. Lane.

NONE OF THE CARGO LOST.

Vessel Towed into Southport and Run on Flats to Keep from Sinking—Leaking Badly—Board of Survey to Examine Her To-day.

The tugs "Blanche" and "Alexander Jones" which went out to Tubb's Inlet to the rescue of the American schooner "C. C. Lane," succeeded in pulling the schooner off the beach where she had remained in peril since she was driven ashore in the gale and snow storm last Monday night. The tugs left Southport at 4 P. M. and succeeded in floating the schooner on high tide at 9 o'clock Tuesday night. None of the cargo of timber had to be jettisoned and the vessel was safely towed into the harbor at Southport yesterday evening at 1 o'clock.

The schooner was leaking badly from having thumped on the bottom Monday night and Tuesday during the rough weather, and in order to save pumping, she was run on the flats of Battery Island at Southport. She will lie there till instructions are received from her owner, Frank W. Benedict, of New Haven, Conn. A board of survey will go down on the steamer Wilmington this morning to ascertain what damage the schooner received while aground.

Captain T. H. Kelley, master of the "C. C. Lane, came up to Wilmington yesterday morning on the tug "Blanche" but he refused to give any further particulars of the mishap to his ship. He says the sea was the roughest he ever saw and it is a miracle that the schooner was not torn to flinders while pounding on the bottom. Her cargo consisted of 200,000 feet of heavy timbers, taken on at Jacksonville, Fla., for New York.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon.

— The North Carolina Sorosis will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Club Room, on Second street near Dock.

— The price of rosin on this market advanced 5 cents a barrel yesterday, closing firm at $2.15 a barrel of 280 pounds.

— Mr. A. G. Knebel, formerly State secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in North and South Carolina, will spend next week in Wilmington.

— The Dorcas Society of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock at Luther Memorial Building.

— The war-like news about the Japan-Russian controversy caused a sharp advance in the prices of wheat and corn in the Chicago grain pit yesterday.

— The holiday entertainment of the Sunday school of Brooklyn Baptist church will be given to-night at the church, on Fourth and Brunswick streets.

— The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Murchison National Bank will be held at the banking house on Front and Chesnut streets next Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock.

— The Star's committee on Nimrodicals has been thawing out in the cloak room the past few days. In the meantime during this severe weather, thousands of wild ducks have been disporting themselves in the open waters.

— Mr. N. F. Parker, the furniture man, gives notice that he has employed a competent upholsterer and will make special prices during the month of January for upholstering, renovating mattresses, carpet laying and general house furnishing work. Read his advertisement.

K. of P. Installation.

The following officers of Jefferson Lodge, No. 61, K. of P., were installed last night by D. G. C. A. Alligood, assisted by D. G. V. C. R. S. Collins and D. G. P. H. E. Bonitz:

C. C.—R. C. Rubright.
V. C.—W. O. Page.
P.—W. P. McGlaughon.
M. of W.—L. O. Smith.
K. R. S.—A. S. Holden.
M. of F.—S. H. Burtt.
M. of E.—E. Forshee.
M. at A.—J. E. Hatch.
I G.—C. W. Craig.
O. G.—G. W. Branch.

North Carolina Boy Gets There.

Whiteheab Klutiz, of Salisbury, N. C., a son of Congressman Theo. F. Klutiz, has accepted a position on the Washington staff of the New York *American*. He began his duties January 5th. Congressman W. R. Hearst is to be congratulated upon selecting North Carolina talent for his great newspaper.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

N. F. Parker—To housekeepers.
T. E. Brown—Commissioner's sale.
A. C. L. R. R. Co.—Dividend notice.
The Worth Co.—Seed Irish potatoes.
Murchison National Bank—Meeting

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sed Rice.
Typewriting.

COLDEST OF THE SEASON.

Thermometer Went Down to 15 Degrees Above Zero Yesterday—Snow Began to Thaw Yesterday.

Yesterday's synopsis of the weather by Mr. Geo. W. Felger, weather bureau observer, makes the official record that the minimum temperature in Wilmington yesterday morning was 15 degrees above zero, and the maximum 33 degrees above. The minimum was the lowest in Wilmington since the severe weather of 1899.

When The Star staff left the office for home early yesterday morning, the atmosphere was dry and crisp and the snow under foot was frozen hard. When day came, however, the sun came out brightly and the snow began to thaw. The streets were soon sloppy and by night the white mantle which was laid over the city Monday night had rapidly minimized.

Observer Felger announced that last night would be considerably warmer and the prediction was borne out by a mild night. The indications for to-day are warmer, but there will be a freeze this morning.

DOUBLE BEREAVEMENT.

Mrs. Duncan O'Hanlon Follows Her Son to the Grave in Less Than a Week.

Only last Friday morning Mr. Duncan O'Hanlon, a young divinity student, died of pneumonia in Alexandria, Va., and was buried in Fayetteville last Sunday, and now comes the sad news that pneumonia has carried off his mother, Mrs. Duncan O'Hanlon, formerly of this city.

Last night Mr. B. G. Worth, of this city, received a dispatch from Mr. James O'Hanlon, at Alexandria, stating that his mother died yesterday at 12:15 P. M. She had been sick only a few days, in fact having collapsed on Friday when her son was dying. She then took to her bed never to leave it again.

Mrs. O'Hanlon was the daughter of the late Mr. J. Addison Worth, of Fayetteville, and niece of our venerable townsman, Mr. B. G. Worth. She is a brother of Captain Albert Worth, of Fayetteville, but who, we believe, is now residing at Norfolk. She is survived by four children—Mr. James O'Hanlon, of Alexandria, Mrs. Fatima Croom and Miss Katie O'Hanlon, of Wilmington, and Miss Mary O'Hanlon, of Alexandria. It has been only a few months ago since the family removed from Wilmington to Virginia.

Many friends here and elsewhere will be extremely sorry to learn of Mrs. O'Hanlon's death and their hearts will go out in sympathy to those doubly bereaved in less time than a week.

The remains of Mrs. O'Hanlon will be sent to Fayetteville for interment.

What We Are Up Against.

A friend dropped into the Star sanctum last night and treated this scribe to a cigar something less than a foot long, and with it he laid down a box of matches which he said always goes with a cigar of his brand. He also guaranteed the cigar to have a Brunswick county wrapper, a New Hanover county filler and an asbestos binder. We boldly tackled that cigar all night but it was with the constant dread that somebody would smell something burning and turn in a fire alarm on suspicion.

Others of the staff protested that the alarming fragrance or pernicious odoriferousness of our cigar would have a better showing in the open air, so after heroically using up the box of matches to keep the thing lighted, we side tracked for a few days in order to secure the services of an energetic fireman to make sure that we are not up against a non-destructible cheroot. Anything like a combination of old rope, oak leaves, and cabbage heads a burning for the next week may be accounted for by "these presents."

Odd Fellows' Installation.

At the regular meeting last night Lodge Deputy H. O. Craig installed the following officers, of Orion Lodge, No. 67, I. O. O. F:

P. G.—A. T. Parker.
N. G.—J. E. G. Brown.
V. G.—A. W. Watson.
R. S.—L. T. Bowden.
F. S.—J. E. Silva.
Treas.—H. O. Craig.
R. S. to N. G.—J. A. Orrell.
L. S. to N. G.—C. D. Morrill.
Warden—W. R. Brown.
O. G.—J. R. Moore.
I. G.—H. E. Walton.
Con.—Rufus Brown.
R. S. to V. G.—J. H. Swinson.
L. S. to V. G.—W. G. Hatch.
R. S. S.—H. O. Thomas.
L. S. S.—J. C. McKoy.
Chap.—Wm. Simpson.

Dividend Declared.

Mr. James F. Post, treasurer of the Atlantic Coast Line, gives notice that the board of directors of the company have declared a dividend of two and one half per cent. on the common capital stock. The dividend is due and payable at the office of the treasurer in Wilmington on and after January 10th. See notice.

To Build a Handsome Residence.

Mr. John H. Rehder will erect a handsome residence on the lot on the northeast corner of Eighth and Market streets. The old house there, recently occupied by Captain Geo. P. Catchett, will be torn down, at an early day. The lot was bought by Mr. Rehder from Sadie Stafford for $6,000.

MILITARY THESPIANS

Brilliant Performance Last Night Under the Auspices of the W. L. I.

"A MODERN SHAKESPEARE."

This Piquant Society Drama Presented by a Talented Cast—Audience a Large One and Affair Was a Creditable One.

The sparkling society drama, "A Modern Shakespeare," given last night at the Academy of Music under the auspices of the Wilmington Light Infantry, reflected credit upon both the management and artistic ability of each and every person connected with the production.

Mr. E. A. Metts, as business manager, deserves much commendation and we feel certain that the organization as a whole appreciates the valuable aid he gave in this capacity.

Mr. P. C. Morton and his efficient corps of ushers rapidly and well handled the large audience that had the good fortune to witness this performance. They were dressed in their uniforms and it gave the performance a decidedly military air.

The audience was a most fashionable and brilliant one, and it demonstrated in a flattering way its marked appreciation of the production. The performance opened with a fancy dance under the direction of Miss Leonora Cantwell. Miss Cantwell deserves much credit, and the grace and ease with which her corps of dancers executed their parts shows her to be a past master in her art.

Between the second and third act a picked squad from the ranks of the Wilmington Light Infantry gave a fancy drill and we cannot say too much in praise of those who participated. They showed weeks of training, culminating in perfection. This squad was under the command of Lieut Hatch, who deported himself with dignity and ease, and a soldierly bearing that was admirable.

The play itself was a perfect success and went off without a hitch. We would like to take each one of the cast and tell you how well they did, but it is only necessary to say that if you did not go you missed a treat, and if you did go, you know without our telling you how well each one deserved the highest praise and commendation. Humor and good nature bristled in every line and the appreciation of the audience was evidenced by numerous and hearty bursts of laughter.

The cast of characters was as follows:

Prof. Justitian Babbit, President of Columbia University..... Mr. Thos. H. Wright.
Dr. Harry Damask, his muchly married son in-law..... Mr. W. F. Robertson.
Lord Mulberry, of the English Nobility.....Mr. A. P. Adrian.
Jack Mulberry, "Me Lord's" son and an actor.....Mr. Geo. P. James.
Manager Marcus Brutus Snap, a Shakespearean exponent of 48 calibre.....Mr. Jas. H. Cowan.
Denny Prowl, who hates every thing and everybody..... Mr. Louis Hall.
Mrs. Justitian Babbit, an iron clad queen of domestic bliss (?)..... Miss Belle Anderson.
Angelica Babbitt Damask, who insists on her "Hubby" having a past..... Miss Tallulah DeRossel.
Nisbee Babbitt, a charming young miss of 16.....Miss Janie Williams.
Susan, who dreams of actors and plays.....Miss Nellie McMillan.

After the performance the participants were given a splendid supper at the Armory by the officers of the company.

Mr. DeLancey Evans.

The Houston (Tex.) *Post*, one of the leading papers of the Southwest, has this to say about our former townsman, Mr. DeLanney Evans:

Mr. DeL. Evans, the vice president and general manager of the Houston Rice Milling Company of this city, has resigned his office and position and withdrawn from active membership of the company.

Mr. Evans was one of the chief promoters of the Houston Rice Mills, located and designed them, and it was under his supervision that the mills were built. Visiting Texas and seeing the great possibilities of the industry in this section and that Houston would be the rice mill center of the entire rice belt, he removed to this city and assisted in organizing the Houston Rice Milling Company, and at the organization was elected vice president and general manager, which positions he has held ever since.

Happy Affair.

Last night the Sunday school of the Second Advent Church had its Christmas tree and celebration at the church on Sixth street, between Church and Castle. There was a large attendance, and it was a most happy and enjoyable affair. There were numerous useful presents for the children, and there was a nice programme of recitations, etc., the affair concluding with an interesting stereopticon exhibition.

Funeral of Mrs. Davis.

The funeral of the lamented Mrs. Elizabeth T. Davis will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence of Mr. R. B. Clowe, 510 Princess street. The interment will be made at Oakdale cemetery.

Mr. J. H. Davis, only son of Mrs. Davis, arrived in the city last evening to attend the funeral. He has the sincere sympathy of his numerous friends in the loss of her who was so dear to him.

— Mr. Joe Armstrong returned to the State University yesterday, after having spent the holidays at home.

BOYS' BANQUET.

Great Time at the Y. M. C. A. Last Night. Some Poets Who are Laying Themselves Liable.

Last night at the Y. M. C. A., in a fitting manner, with a banquet and exceeding great noise, the "Yellows" celebrated their victory over the "Reds" in the junior membership contest. The boys who wore yellow were happy and they showed it to their fullest capacity. There were forty of them present, but any person passing on the street would have thought that there were hundreds. Their enthusiasm was unbounded and unchecked and they had a good time until nine o'clock. The banquet was served at 8:15 o'clock after which the boys gave three cheers for the winning and losing sides and then went home happy in their victory. The boys will now get into the contest which is being waged by the men. They will divide up among the "Whites" and the "Blues" and hustle to win. Each boy who succeeds in getting a member will be invited to an oyster roast on the sound.

In the men's membership contest the "Whites" are now ahead. The score is 33 to 30 in favor of the "Whites." Captain J. A. McGeachy is working hard and will make Captain R. H. Pickett and his "Blues" sweat before they win. Captain McGeachy and his "Whites" will have another meeting Saturday night to "count heads" and incidentally to formulate new plans to secure new members. Every member of the "Whites" is expected to be present. The meeting will take place at 8 o'clock.

The "Blues" have taken to writing poetry and this is a sample:

We are composed, says R. H. P.;
I know some things you'd like to know,
Our eggs are not all hatched.
We know of members far and wide
Who will come in upon our side,
And these are facts.

The "Whites" make reply in the following words:

Onward, onward, now we're off!
"Blues," why don't you catch us!
We're very handy at such things
As eating oyster suppers.

If the tall form of Constable Tuck Savage is seen in the neighborhood of the Y. M. C. A. building it may be presumed that he will keep up the chase till he runs in the poets in this contest.

A BIG ATTRACTION.

New York Production To-night at the Academy—"Earl of Pawtucket."

Rose Coghlan, who will appear at the Academy of Music to-night in Harriet Ford's beautiful play, "The Greatest Thing in the World," will, as Virginia Bryant, have an opportunity of displaying almost every emotion known to a loving mother who is fearful for the future of her eldest son. Those who saw Miss Coghlan's magnificent performance in "Ulysses" in New York recently and her remarkable delineation of "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" last season will look forward to a rare dramatic treat. Those theatre-goers of intelligence and sound judgment, who have a regard for the highest grade of histrionic art, will do well to secure their seats well in advance, for it is said that Miss Coghlan is making one of the most brilliant successes of her career, long distinguished for many notable impersonations.

Seats are now on sale at Plummer's.

"EARL OF PAWTUCKET."

There can be no question concerning the potency of the Augustus Thomas' fine comedy, "The Earl of Pawtucket," being richly endowed with that particularly subtle charm which always appeals so vigorously to the theatre constituency who has grown restless under the severe strain of indifferent polyglot entertainments and crave to satisfy an appetite for something more legitimately humorous. Hence the absorbing interest being directed in behalf of so excellent an attraction which will invite earnest consideration at the Academy Monday night. The sale of seats will commence at Plummer's Saturday morning.

BOUND FOR FLORIDA.

The Coast Line Carrying Thousands of People Away from the Frozen North.

The severe weather at the North is driving people by the thousands to the balmy regions of sub-tropical Florida.

A stream of people is now passing into Florida over the Atlantic Coast Line, the safest and most popular route to the genial South. Next Monday the Coast Line's Florida special will commence its regular schedule between New York and Jacksonville. This train is one of the most elegant vestibuled trains in the world and affords the swiftest, most comfortable travelling that is possible. The trains are lighted throughout with electricity.

CATHERINE KENNEDY HOME.

The following were the contributions to the Catherine Kennedy Home for December:

Mr. J. A. Montgomery, sausage, oysters, ham; Mrs. Alexander, peanuts, turnips, potatoes, pork; Mr. Jesse Wilder, five cords wood; Mr. H. C. Carr, Mississippi, can syrup; Mrs. J. L. Cantwell, butter, coffee; Mrs. Bleuthenthal, books; Mrs. Haywood Clark, apples, oranges, potatoes; Mr. T. C. McDonald, Columbia, S. C., turkey; Miss Mary Hodges Pickett, turkey; Mrs. R. H. Pickett, apples, oranges; Friend, A. B. S. & F. Co., oranges; Mrs. W. R. French, oranges; Mrs. Phil Pearsall, oranges; Mrs. Healy, syrup; Miss Armstrong, sausage; Mrs. J. T. Rankin, grapenuts; Mr. Richard Jones, $5.00; Friend, $2.

THE ELKS LAST NIGHT

Wilmington Lodge Received an Official Visit from District Deputy Walter Murphy.

ENTHUSIASTIC GREETING.

The Distinguished Elk Addressed the Lodge and Afterwards there was a Luncheon and Smoker — An Enjoyable Occasion.

Last night the members of Wilmington Lodge, No. 532, Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, assembled at the Elks' Temple in large force to receive an official visitation from District Deputy Walter Murphy, of Salisbury.

Mr. Murphy was received with the great cordiality and enthusiasm peculiar to and characteristic of Elkdom, and he made them an elegant and eloquent talk concerning the purposes and aims of the order.

There was an initiation for his benefit, and after the meeting of the lodge a nice luncheon and smoker were enjoyed and the occasion was made merry with singing and music.

The Elks highly appreciated District Deputy Murphy's talk and greatly enjoyed his visit, and he received such a royal welcome that he was glad he came to see his Wilmington brethren. The Elks were having a splendid time at "the hour of eleven," not to mention that the fun had'nt given out at last accounts a couple of hours after midnight.

Yesterday morning Mr. Murphy was entertained at the Cape Fear Club and in the afternoon some prominent Elks took him to Wrightsville and entertained him with a splendid oyster roast. He will leave this afternoon for Newbern.

Mr. Murphy is known all over North Carolina as Pete Murphy. He is a prominent lawyer and is a member of the General Assembly from Rowan county. He is exceedingly clever and is extremely popular with the Elks throughout North Carolina. He will leave here this afternoon for Newbern.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. S. M. Lewis is on the sick list.

— Mr. James H. Taylor is out after a severe attack of grippe.

— The Misses Latimer returned to college at New York yesterday.

— Miss Elovene Burruss returned yesterday to college at Staunton, Va.

— Miss Margaret Watts, of Raleigh, is here visiting Mrs. Samuel Davis.

— Mr Edwin Y. Moore has come back from Boston and will remain in Wilmington.

— Mr. T. J. Brown, a prosperous young farmer of the Rocky Point section, was a Star visitor yesterday.

— We regret to note that Mrs. H. C. McQueen is quite ill. She was, however, reported to be some better last night.

— We are glad to note that Dr. J. H. Dreher was able to be out yesterday after having been quite sick for two weeks.

— Mr. W. A. Dunn went back yesterday morning to Blacksburg, Va., where he is attending the Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

— Mr. Clem Wescott, after spending a very pleasant holiday vacation with his parents in this city, returned yesterday to Oak Ridge Institute.

— Mr. G. W. Blacknall, who is here every now and then to keep the popular "Royal Blue" cigar to the front, came in last evening and is stopping at The Orton.

— Mr. and Mrs. Tench Coxe, of Asheville, have rented the residence of Mr. Burdie Anderson, 615 Orange street, and will be here next week to spend the balance of the winter in Wilmington.

— Savannah *News*: Mr. W. J. Haylow, formerly superintendent of transportation of the Atlantic Coast Line, with headquarters at Savannah, and now holding the same position on the first division, with headquarters at Wilmington, N. C., left yesterday for Wilmington after spending Sunday in this city.

ROUNTREE IN WASHINGTON.

Wilmington's Distinguished Lawyer and Judge Merrimon Hear Arguments in Alabama Election Case.

The Charlotte *Observer's* Washington correspondent, under date of Jan. 5th, says:

"North Carolina attorneys who are interested in the South Dakota bond case were among a large number of attorneys who listened with interest to-day to argument in the Alabama election cases. To-night both Messrs. Rountree and Merrimon said that argument by both sides had covered the ground completely and both spoke in complimentary terms of the argument made by the negro attorney, Smith, of New York. Judge Merrimon said he was glad to see a negro exhibit such intelligence. The North Carolina lawyers came away with the impression, however, that the negroes had little show of winning, as they felt this was indicated by the questions asked by the justices. In fact, they do not believe there is anything in the case in its present form which is an action against the registrars for failure to register negroes, and that it would be impossible for the court to grant the relief asked for by the negroes even if the court should regard their contention as being just, broadly speaking.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To each and every one of our friends and customers, and we wish to thank them for their generous patronage the past year and hope for a continuance of the same.

M. H. Curran,

Merchant Tailor and Men's Furnisher, next door to Orton Hotel.

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To Housekeepers of Wilmington

And adjacent towns. I have secured the service of a competent Upholsterer, and in order to introduce his work, will give special prices during the month of January for any upholstering work, mattress renovating, carpet laying, and house work in all its branches. Hair Mattresses renovated by machinery, which is the only way that it can properly be done. Now is the time to have your old parlor suits, odd chairs, etc., made good as new and your old mattress made a thing of comfort.

CASH | Your House Furnished from top to bottom | CREDIT.

N. F. Parker, 206 North Front Street,

jan 7 tf Wilmington, N. C.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK,

of Wilmington, N. C.,

Will be held at their Banking House Tuesday, January 12th, at 11 o'clock. jan 7 3t

WILMINGTON'S POSTMASTER.

Opposition to Mrs. Russell May Materialize on the Ground that She is Not a Resident of This City.

The Charlotte *Observer* of yesterday contains the following from its Washington correspondent:

Through private letters received here from Wilmington, it has been intimated that some opposition might yet be offered to the appointment of Mrs. Russell as postmaster at Wilmington. The nomination has not as yet been sent to the Senate. Mrs. Russell is universally recognized as a most estimable woman, but some of those who differ with Governor Russell politically do not like the idea of seeing the large salary go into the family. If opposition to confirmation was offered it would be on the ground that Mrs. Russell does not reside in Wilmington. Senator Simmons said to-day that Senator Penrose, chairman of the postoffice committee, would at once appoint a subcommittee of three to consider the Albright case from Mt. Airy. Senator Simmons, who will be a member of this sub committee, gave further information that some opponents of Albright would be here in a few days.

Office of General Agent Abolished.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of Norfolk, Va., last night, says:

"A circular from the general freight agent's office, bearing the date of December 29, 1903, announces the resignation of T. D. Meares as general agent of the Seaboard Air Line at Wilmington, N. C., and the fact that the office of general agent at that point has been abolished. The circular was made public to-day."

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of the lamented Mrs. Elizabeth T. Davis will take place this (Thursday) afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. R. B. Clowe, 510 Princess street. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend. Interment at Oakdale cemetery.

DIED.

McQUEEN—At 3:30 o'clock this (Thursday) morning, MARY AGNES, beloved wife of Henry C McQueen

Notice of funeral Friday morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Office of the Treasurer, Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 6, 1904.

The Board of Directors of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company have declared a dividend of two and one-half per cent. on the Common Capital Stock of that Company; dividend due and payable at the office of the Treasurer, at Wilmington, N. C., on and after January 10th, 1904. The transfer books will stand closed from December 24th, 1903, to January 10th, 1904, both dates inclusive.

JAMES F. POST, Treasurer.

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Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county made in a special proceeding pending therein between Edgar Miller and wife, Nancy Miller, Olivia Wardell and Sophie Miller, plaintiffs, and John Rhew alias John Miller and Lucy Rhew alias Lucy Miller, defendants, the undersigned Commissioner will expose for sale, to the highest bidder for cash, on Monday, the 9th of February, 1904 at the Court House door in the city of Wilmington, the following described property: Beginning at the southeast corner of block 284 runs thence westwardly with the line of the north side of Fanning street 92½ feet; thence north and parallel with Anderson street 66 feet; thence East parallel with Fanning street 92½ feet; thence south along the said line on Anderson street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 5, Block 284. T. E. BROWN, Commissioner.

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THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 7.

TRADE, PRICES AND THE FUTURE.

The sudden fall in the stock market in two hours on Saturday morning showed that there were more people who wanted to sell stocks than to buy.

This is natural. There is nothing to lead any one to expect a rise in stocks. There is much to throw doubt on any advance. If war does not come in East Asia, trade in Japan, China and Russia is certain to be disturbed for weeks to come. As the London *Statist* has just pointed out, conditions are so dubious all over Europe that high rates for money are likely for months to come. The Governments of England, France, Germany and Russia each has to borrow in the near future. So have lesser countries.

This promises to absorb loanable capital for a half year, but it does not alter the fact that in Germany there is a distinct rally. The shares of the big iron, steel and textile companies have risen steadily for three months past. Germans have been heavy purchasers of cotton. The pig iron output is rising. England feels a growing trade. France and the two Latin countries so intimately associated with her, Italy and Spain, see an improvement. The budget speeches in December, when European estimates are launched, are all encouraging. Each finance minister needs revenue. Only in Italy are taxes to be reduced. But revenue is elastic, and it is plain that business is improving for all West Europe.

This offers a most encouraging situation for American manufacturers because foreign markets will be hunted for American products in the next six months as they have not been since 1896-7, when our home demand began to revive. In iron and steel there is a lower level of costs before American producers. Wages have been harmoniously reduced for iron, steel and coke. Ore, is certain to be lower, whatever price is put now. Billets and other steel products are pretty likely before long to take a like course. The largest steel producer in the country, the Steel Trust, is economizing on dividends. Much can be saved this way.

These causes unite to improve the position of American iron and steel in foreign markets, and of this product an eighth goes abroad. If prices fall more will than in any recent year. No such prospect is before textiles. In cotton the highest price in thirty years came last Monday. This was succeeded by a sharp break, and the week closed with a fall of a fifth of a cent a pound from the highest price of the week. A precisely similar gamble in cotton came after the panic of 1873. Now, as then, with a stattistical situation which indicated a higher level, there was an extravagant advance because a large number of small speculators who ordinarily go into stocks sought cotton. French and German spinners have bought to date 191,000 bales more than last year, England 48,000 bales less and American mills 23,000 bales. If cotton rises or holds its present price the former will enjoy an advantage the rest of the year, and the reverse if it is lower. Thus far cotton goods have made only half the advance scored by cotton. Lower cotton looks to-day more probable than higher. The raw material in wool promises to continue on present levels, but woolens did not move well last year and there is small prospect of an improving market. The shipments of boots and shoes were on the largest scale ever known, for the first time reaching 5,000,000 cases from Boston. Hides fell through the year Certain standard grades were at the close of 1903 only two-thirds what they were a year earlier. Profits were larger. The opening year will see more competition, but leather, which was firm last year, may this year yield with the prices of hides.

Cottons, woollens, footwear, and, one may add, silk, look back on the largest overturn on record for 1903, though under variable conditions, but no one expects this to be repeated in 1904. The mere general reduction of 10 to 15 per cent. in all wages very seriously reduces the purchasing power of great masses of consumers. The rise in cotton unsettles the basis of all textile trades. The shrinkage in the general overturn of business, marked by clearings—7 per cent , under last year for December and a fifth for three months before—registers a broad change. The railroad presidents, from whom the New York *Evening Post* gets signed statements, all predict that rates will be maintained, but none see larger earnings near.

The country has entered on another period of close management, of lower wages, of cheaper raw materials and of profits secured by close watchfulness of all conditions, costs and markets. At such a period, unless trade organizations yield on wage reductions, they find themselves at a disadvantage Wheat fell 3 cents a bushel last week and this was recovered by an advance on reports of war. Food is not likely to be lower at present.—*Philadelphia Press.*

CAUSED NO SURPRISE.

The announcement that John Skelton Williams had retired from the presidency of the Seaboard Air Line railway came as no surprise to the people of this section.

More than two weeks ago the *Constitution* stated that such would come to pass in the near future and railroad men generally coincided with that statement and expressed their belief it its absolute correctness.

The news was contradicted in positive terms from almost every source imaginable. Denials worded in strong language poured into this office from Florida to Maine. Such expressions as "The report is utterly without foundation" were mild compared to some that were received. In personal interviews with high officials of the Seaboard the representative of the *Constitution* was informed that there was less than nothing in the story. Telegrams were exhibited which apparently assured the incorrectness of the publication, and everything possible was done to convey this impression that the whole matter was a mistake and that nothing would come of it.

In spite of all denials, and backed by information obtained from well-informed railroad men, the story as first published was adhered to, and now comes the authoritative announcement.—*Atlanta Constitution,*

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Mr. Morgan is reported as saying in an interview that "the wealth of this country is less bunched than at any time in its history." Nevertheless there are three or four men, of whom Mr. Morgan is one, who have "bunched" quite a respectable part of that wealth.—*New York World, Dem.*

—— We would feel more enthusiastic over John D. Rockefeller's action in paying mortgages on the farms of old friends if we did not feel that we were contributing our share of it, in the increased price of oil, and allowing him to get away with all the credit for the good deeds.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— The Cuban Senate has decided temporarily to increase the tariff by 25 per cent. until there is time to pass a permanent measure. When the Cuban Congress gets time it will probably put up the rates again. Ultimately Cuba may be able to show something nearly equal to the Dingley law."—*Louisville Courier Journal, Dem.*

—— "If Roosevelt believes Perry Heath he will have to do some backstepping. When he assumed the duties of the office he announced he would carry out the wishes and politics of McKinley as far as he could learn them. Heath says McKinley wanted Hanna to succeed him, but there is no evidence to show that Roosevelt will try to carry out that wish."—*Mobile Register, Dem.*

—— While other Powers will undoubtedly observe the strictest neutrality at first, the fact must not be overlooked that there exists a treaty of alliance between Japan and England, which obligates the latter to aid Japan actively if any third party takes part in the war against that country. As it is vital to England's interests in the Far East that Russia should receive a check, there is a general belief that the British will secretly aid Japan in every way possible.—*New Orleans Picayune, Dem.*

—— "Turcimans and Persians are said to be shedding blood upon the border of the kingdom of the Shah, and stories of quarrels between France and Siam come from the Orient. But there were before dark clouds enough upon the Asiatic skies, and neither the Muscovite nor the Gaul is hunting for additional trouble while the shadows hovering over Japan, Corea and Manchuria are so portentous. Little sparks may cause great fires and earth-shaking explosions, and the air is overcharged with electricity at this period.—*New York Tribune, Rep.*

—— Whether missionary work is more needed in Asia, Africa and other heathen lands than here at home among the forlorn and neglected in our own slums is a question which the individual must decide for himself. Apparently good people with money to give to such enterprises are disposed to prefer the foreign to the domestic crusade. One hears of thousands of dollars contributed to missions in China, Japan, etc., as compared with hundreds, even tens, for use at home. It is entirely clear to our mind, apart from all other considerations, that the unhappy, degraded and miserable millions who swarm in the slums and purlieus of American cities constitute a much more imperative appeal to American solicitude than the alleged pagans of Africa and Asia.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

A Very Close Call.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite, and all run down. As I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run-down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c a bottle.

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TWINKLINGS

—Maybell—Can you keep a secret? Elizabeth—Yes, easily. But I can't help anyone else keep one.—*Life.*

— She—Yes, I just love dogs! He—Then I'd like to be a dog. Never mind; you'll grow.—*Harvard Lampoon.*

— Patience—You say that pianist is a kindly-disposed person? Patrice—Yes; he married a deaf wife. —*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Knicker—Were you shopping to-day? Mrs. Knicker—No, I went down town and bought all the Christmas presents.—*Judge.*

— Didn't she have some trouble in hiding from her husband the present she was going to give him?" "Not a bit. She put it in one of the pigeonholes of his desk."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "I want to stop, ma, and see that man who was run over by an automobile." "Come along; if we stopped every time anything like that happened, we shouldn't get down street to-day."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— "I want to get a camera," said Mr. Nupop, "one that will do good work quickly." "Yes, sir," said the clerk, "what size?" "Oh, six months' size, I guess. He's only two months old, but big for his age." —*Philadelphia Press.*

— Department Store Ribbon Clerk: I simply cannot mesmerize people into buying this ribbon at 6 cents a yard. Floor Walker: Well, cut it up into two and three-yard lengths and mark it "Remnants—only 11 cents a yard."—*Judge.*

— First Little Girl: My mother came to these springs because she had hay fever and rheumatism. What did yours come for? Second Little Girl: Cauth she had four grape-machine dresses and six new hats.—*New Orleans Times-Democrat.*

— Reporter—How were you impressed by the European cities you visited? Distinguished Traveller—They are marvels of cleanliness, sir. To return to one of our cities after being abroad is like coming back to a hogpen. Reporter—May I ask what hogpen you started from?—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "Now I hate the British," said the first New Yorker, "because they're so horribly stuck on themselves; always bragging about what they've done and what they can do." "That's right," replied the other. "I hate that kind of brag, too. They seem to forget that w're licked 'em twice and could do it again if necessary."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Mrs. Wise—I wouldn't have bought cigars for my husband, if I were you. A man doesn't like his wife to do that. Mrs. McBride—I know it's risky unless you're very careful to get the best, but I was careful. Mrs. Wise—Were you? Mrs. McBride—Yes, I picked out a box called "Best Ever." There couldn't possibly be anything better than that you know.—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Identified.—Seeking information, we naturally stop a policeman, "Will you kindly tell us, we ask, with our hat in our hand, "who that large, mysterious looking gentleman is—the one in a bright red vest, a green and brown plaid coat, blue trowsers, green necktie and tan shoes?" "That," replied the polite officer, "that is a plain clothes detective."—*Cincinnati Times-Star.*

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QUEER DECK OF CARDS.

Its Owner Had to Wait Twenty Years Before Completing Pack.

A member of New York's sporting fraternity has probably the queerest deck of cards in the world. It took him twenty years to collect the pack, and he is exceedingly proud of it. He began by picking up playing cards in the street whenever he happened to run across them. He got fifteen or more before he began striking duplicates. Some days he would find two or three, and then it would be months before he would see another stray pasteboard. But he was always watching for opportunities to add to his strange collection.

In ten years he was thirteen cards short of a complete deck. In the next three years he considered himself lucky in finding all but four. The missing ones were the jack of clubs, the deuce and eight of diamonds and the trey of spades. In the course of another year he picked up the eight of diamonds and six months later was overjoyed to find what he at first thought was a full deck of cards lying on the sidewalk on Broadway, near Forty-second street. The jack of clubs and the trey of spades were there all right, but five or six cards were missing, and among these was the deuce of diamonds.

It seemed as if he never would be able to obtain his fifty-second card, but the other day he entered one of the suburban trains on the Jersey Central railroad, and almost the first thing he saw was the deuce of diamonds face upward in the aisle, says the New York World. It was gilt edged and glossy backed, the finest of them all. He had been searching for this identical card for five and a half years and now breathed a sigh of relief.

The pack is composed of cards of all qualities, from the cheapest to the highest priced. Some are clean and bright; others are soiled and worn.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 6.—Cotton: Spot, moderate business; prices 20 points higher; American middling fair 7.48d; good middling 7.32d; middling 7.23d; low middling 7.16d; good ordinary 7.06d; ordinary 6.86d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 800 bales were for speculation and export and included 6,600 bales American. Receipts 4,000 bales, no American.

Futures opened firm and closed barely steady; American middling (g o c): January 7.01d; January and February 7.00@7.01d; February and March 7.00d; March and April 6.99d; April and May 6.98@6.99d; May and June 6.98d; June and July 6.97d; July and August 6.95d; August and September 6.80d.

MARINE.

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Clyde steamer Caribi, Chichester, Georgetown, S C, H G Smallbones.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., January 7.

STEAMERS.

Oceano, (Br) 3,049 tons, Doris, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Emily F Northam, 316 tons, Dodd, C D Mafflit.
Wm H Skinner, 290 tons, Harrison, C D Mafflit.
Jno J Hansen, 556 tons, Wood, C D Mafflit.
Longfellow, 228 tons, Spencer, C D Mafflit.
Edward Stewart, 353 tons, Mitchell, C D Mafflit.
Jennie Lockwood, 376 tons, Hatchhorn, C D Mafflit.
Eliza A Scribner, 357 tons, Dodd, to master.
Herald, 474 tons, Simmons, C D Mafflit.
Aetna, 297 tons, Chipman, C D Mafflit.
Mabel Darling, (Br) 111 tons, Sweeting, J A Springer & Co.

BARQUES.

Holden, (Nov) 699 tons, Andersen, Heide & Co.
Carl, (Ger), 572 tons, Vols, Heide & Co.

Heals and Soothes The Throat.

For three years I have been troubled with my throat. A burning sensation would come over me in the early morning and last for several hours. I have been taking Cheney's Expectorant for a week. My throat is almost healed and the irritation no longer worries me. It is a great medicine.

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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, soften the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and take no other kind

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.]

STAR OFFICE, January 6.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 55c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.15 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.25 per barrel for hard, $3.80 for dip, $3.80 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 54¼c; rosin firm at $1.35@1.40; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $1.75, 2.80@2.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	23
Rosin	358
Tar	83
Crude turpentine	23

Receipts same day last year—41 casks spirits turpentine, 609 barrels rosin, 405 barrels tar, 28 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market dull at 12.75c per pound for middling.

Same day last year, market firm at 8¼c for middling.

Receipts—184 bales; same day last year, 1,197.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 70c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 77½c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish 85c.

CORN—Firm, 65@70c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12¼c; sides, 12¼c.

EGGS—Firm at 22@23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 35@40c; springs, 15@25c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12¼@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@36c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5¾@6¼c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 40@45c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Money on call was easy at 2¾@3 per cent., lowest 2¾, closing bid and offered 2¾; time loans easy and dull; sixty days 4¾@5 per cent.; ninety days 4¾@5 per cent.; six months 4½@5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at 484.85@485 for demand and 481.90@482 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates 482@482¾ and 485@485¼. Commercial bills 481¾. Bar silver 57¼. Mexican dollars 43¾. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 106; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 106; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 105½; do. coupon, 106¼; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 133; do. coupons 133¼; U.S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107½; U. S. 4's, old coupon, 107½; U.S. 5's, registered, 101¼; do. coupon, 101¼; Southern Railway, 5's, 111½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 89½; Chesapeake & Ohio 31½; Manhattan L 141½; New York Central 117¼; Reading 45¼; do. 1st preferred 78; do. 2nd preferred 58½; St. Paul 141½; do. pref'd, 176; Southern Railway 17½; do. pref'd 77½. Amalgamated Copper 45¼; People's Gas 96; Tennessee Coal and Iron 38½; U. S. Leather 7½; U. S. Leather, preferred, 75¼; Western Union 86; U. S. Steel 9¾; do. preferred 55¾; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 39; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 98 bid; sales — shares. Standard Oil 655.

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 6.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 9¼@9¾; do. preferred, 18¾@19; do. bonds, fours, 66¼@67. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 106¼@107¼; do. preferred, —.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine firm.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 6.—Spirits turpentine steady at 55½c; sales — casks. Rosin steady; sales — barrels: A, B, C, $2 15; D, $2 15, E, $2 15; F, $2 15; G, $2 20; H, $2 25; I, $2 45; K, $2 70; M, $3 80; N, $2 95; W G, $3 15; W W $3 40.

SAVANNAH, Jan. 6.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 57¼c; receipts 83 casks; sales 100 casks; exports — casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 1,588 barrels; sales 554 barrels; exports 500 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 25; D, $2 30; E, $2 30; F, $2 30; G, $2 40; H, $2 45; I, $2 60; K, $3 85; M, $3 95; N, $3 10; W G, $3 30; W W $3 55.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Trading in cotton was less active to-day and prices showed a reactionary tendency after the sharp advance of yesterday. This was chiefly due to disappointing cables and considerable selling here for Liverpool account as well as for the account of profit-taking longs. By the end of the first half hour of trading the market was about nineteen to twenty-three points net lower, but showed considerable stability around that level. During the forenoon the market broke badly, following a turn for the worse in Far Eastern war news, accompanied by heavy liquidation. Prices were soon driven down to 13.25 for March, 13.43 for May and 13.49 for July, these being net losses of thirty-nine to forty-nine points. Later the market rallied about ten or fifteen points from the bottom on bull support and covering, while there was also some outside buying as a result of smaller receipts The steadier tendency was of short duration, however, for shortly after midday more disquieting rumors were circulated concerning the Far Eastern situation, and everything gave way to consideration of possible war, with all the months selling down to new levels of the day. March touched 12.68, May 13.05 and July 13.05, or eighty-one to eighty-five points lower, placing prices to the level occupied before yesterday's advance. Toward the close there was a slight rally. The market closed easy at a net decline of seventy to seventy-six points. The sales were estimated at 1,300,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Cotton quiet at 13.30c; net receipts — bales; gross receipts 3,656 bales; stock 73,539 bales.

Cotton futures market closed easy: January 12.65, February 12.75, March 12.95, April 13.04, May 13.15, June 13.13, July 13.15, August 12.70.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 60 points lower; middling uplands 13.30; middling gulf 13.55c; sales 109 bales

Total to day, at all seaports—Net receipts 37,530 bales; exports to Great Britain — bales; exports to France 92 bales; exports to the Continent 2,950 bales; stock 921,584 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 166,613 bales; exports to Great Britain 49,087 bales; exports to France 35,171 bales; exports to the Continent 78,088 bales; exports to Japan 2,075 bales; exports to Mexico 100 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,894,289 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,581,439 bales; exports to France 548,766 bales; exports to the Continent 1,719,154 bales; exports to Japan 29,555 bales; exports to Mexico 18,544 bales.

Jan .—Galveston, easy at 12⅞c, net receipts 11,238 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 3,500 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 13.75c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 13.90, net receipts 243 bales; Wilmington, dull at 13¾, net receipts 184 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 13.55c, net receipts — bales; Savannah, easy at 12¾, net receipts 6,080 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 13¼c, net receipts 14,825 bales; Mobile, easy at 13⅛c, net receipts 1,133 bales; Memphis, quiet at 13c, net receipts 1,911 bales; Augusta, easy at 13¼, net receipts 513 bales; Charleston, firm at 13½c, net receipts 235 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Flour was fairly active with some mills asking 10c more; Minnesota patents $4 65@4 90, Rye flour firm. Wheat—Spot strong; No. 2 red $1 00. Options had another war scare to-day and reached the highest figures of the season, continuing strong all day in the face of more or less realizing by the big holders. Cables were much higher and with the break in consols, helped the war excitement. Our market closed steady and strong at 2¼@2½c net advance: May closed 91¾c; July closed 88c. Corn—Spot strong; No. 3 nominal. Options market fully shared the wheat advance and was strong from start to finish with commission houses good buyers and some export business done. Closed strong and 1¼c net higher: May closed 53¾c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2 43¼c. Options nominal. Lard firmer; Western steam $7 30; refined firm; continent $7 40. Pork firm. Butter firm; extra creamery 24c; State dairy 15@21. Cheese quiet; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12c; late made 10c; small white, September 12c; late made 10. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania nearby average best 39. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 4¾@5c; other domestic 3@5c. Potatoes steady; Long Island $2 25@2 50; Jerseys $2 12@2 37; Jersey sweets $1 50@3 50; State and Western sacks $2 10@2 20. Cabbage steady; domestic, per ton, $15 00@25 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 12. Sugar—Raw nominal; fair refining 3c; centrifugal 96 test 3½; molasses sugar 2¾c; refined quiet. Tallow firm. Rice quiet. Molasses firm. Cotton seed oil was firm and closed a shade higher in some cases. Quoted: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 29@30c; prime summer yellow 37c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 39@40c; prime winter yellow 40@42c.

CHICAGO, January 6.—An unfounded report that hostilities had actually broken out between Russia and Japan caused a second sharp advance in both grain and provisions to-day, after a tremendous bulge at the opening had been partly overcome by profit-taking. May wheat at one time was up 2½c over yesterday's closing figures; May corn 1½c and provisions 17½ to 60c. Closing prices were strong at nearly the top.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—Cash prices: Flour—Market strong. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No. 3 spring 76@85c; No. 2 red 83¾@88¾. Corn—No. 2 42c; No. 2 yellow 45¾. Oats—No. 2 36¾@36¾; No. 3 white 36¾@38¾. Rye—No. 2 51c. Mess pork, per bbl. $13 50@13 63¾. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 80@6 85. Short rib sides, loose, $6 37½@6 62½. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, —. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 62½@6 75. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 87¾@88¾, 88¾, 87⅜, 88¾c; July 82@83¼, 83¾, 82, 83¾c; September 80@80¾, 80¾, 79¾, 80¾c. Corn—No. 2 January 43, 43¼, 43, 43¼c; May 47@47½, 47¾, 47, 47¾@47¾c; July 46¾@47, 47¼, 46¾, 47⅛@47¼c. Oats—No. 2 January 36¼, 36¼, 36¼, 36¼; May 39¾@39¾, 39¾, 39¼, 39¼@39½c; July 36⅛, 36⅝, 36¼, 36½c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $13 00, 13 42½, 13 00, 13 33¾; May $13 25, 13 70, 13 20, 13 33¾. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $6 87½; May $7 00, 7 12½, 69 7½, 7 13¾. Short ribs, per 100lbs—January $6 45, 6 52½, 6 45, 6 52½; May $6 67½, 6 83¾, 6 67½, 6 83¾.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Coffee—Spot Rio firm; No. 7 invoice 7¼c; mild firm; Cordova 8¾@11c Futures opened steady at a decline of 10 to 15 points, following lower European cables which promoted liquidation. Toward the close selling became heavier, particularly for the account of Wall street parties. The market closed steady at a decline of 10 to 20 points. Sales 157,000 bags.

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Commissioner's Sale

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court made in the special proceeding of Mary E. Wills, Executrix of J. W. Wills vs. M. E. Wills et al., the undersigned commissioner will expose for sale to the highest bidder at public auction for cash at the Court House door in the city of Wilmington, N. C., at 12 o'clock M., on Saturday, the 30th of January, 1904, the following lots of land situate in said city:

1st. Lot beginning at a point in northern line of Wooster street, 180 feet west of W. line of Ninth street, runs we t with said line of Wooster street 67 feet, north parallel with Eighth street 6 feet, east parallel with Wooster 67 feet, south parallel with Eighth street 66 feet to beginning. Part Lot 6, Block 86.

2nd. A lot beginning on the N. line of Wooster street at a point 180 feet west of W. line of Eleventh street, runs thence north parallel with said line of Eleventh street 66 feet, west 65 feet south, 66 to Wooster street, E. with northern line of Wooster street 65 feet to beginning. Part of Lot 6 Block 86.

3rd. Lot beginning at a point in Lot 8, Block 88, 84 feet from western line of Ninth street, north, parallel with Ninth street 88 feet, with Dawson 33 feet, thence south parallel with Ninth street 88 feet, east parallel with Dawson street, 33 feet to beginning.

4th. A lot beginning at the northwestern intersection of Mulberry and Fourteenth street, runs with western line of Fourteenth street 114 feet, west parallel with Mulberry street 80 feet to small branch, southeast with the run thereof to nor h line of Mulberry street, thence with north line of Mulberry street, eastwardly to the beginning; same being less by 10 feet on Fourteenth street than the whole lot and being east end of L., block 470.

WALTER P. GAFFORD,
dec 19 1m Commissioner.

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Extended to all our friends and patrons who gave us this season, the best holiday trade we ever had. We thank you sincerely, and kindly ask all who wear Shoes to help us and our Cash-On-Approval system, make 1904 our banner year.

Respectfully,

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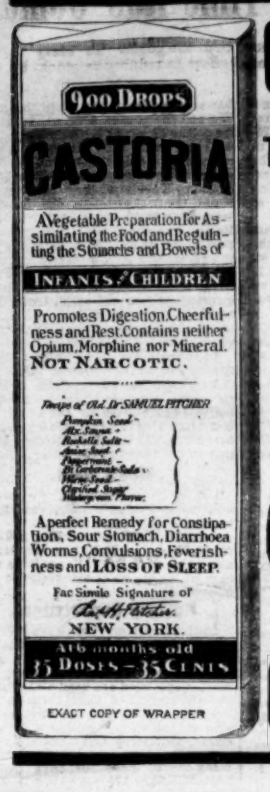
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We invite you all to see them.

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We are Agents for the American Lady Corset.
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HE WAS AFRAID OF THUNDER

[Original.]

Kate was such a dashing girl that everybody wondered when she married a quiet, unobtrusive man who had a dread of thunderstorms. However, Clarence and Kate Hastings seemed to get on well enough, and certainly both adored their four children, till Bruce Sayler came along and took a fancy to Mrs. Hastings. Then trouble began. Sayler was a fine looking man, with something aggressive about him that usually gave him his own way.

One evening Sayler asked Hastings to go with him to make a call. Hastings unsuspectingly accepted. He was taken to the house of a woman whom he had never seen and left alone with her while Sayler excused himself. Then an irate husband rushed in and made a great ado about catching the visitor with his wife. Hastings got out safely, but the affair came to his wife's ears. In vain he pleaded innocence and asserted that Sayler had tricked him. Sayler told a different story, that was believed by the wife.

By this time Hastings had got the drift of the matter, which was that Sayler had acquired such an influence over his wife that she was about to join with him to remove her husband by divorce in order to put Sayler in his place. Hastings was crushed. Then out of his despair came action.

The two men were members of the same club, and one evening Sayler was discoursing loudly to a party of friends, monopolizing the conversation, when Hastings stepped up to him and said mildly:

"Sayler, you are a puppy. You are a thief. You are a coward."

Sayler glared at him, but made no reply. Hastings drew away and sent a message to his enemy that he might as well make up his mind to fight sooner or later, for he proposed to insult him every time he entered the club. Sayler replied that dueling was not in vogue in America. He would not fight under the code, but if Hastings did not refrain from his insults he would chastise him. To this Hastings replied that he was armed and that if Sayler laid a finger on him he would kill him.

The next night and the next, whenever and wherever the two men met, Hastings gave a deliberate insult, and at last it came to be the opinion of the club members that Sayler must take some notice of the matter or resign. Then he sent a challenge to Hastings.

No one took it upon himself or herself to inform Mrs. Hastings about the matter, and Sayler, after announcing to her the first insult and asserting that he had paid no attention to the insignificant husband, did not mention any of the later insults or the challenge. She was still very much under Sayler's influence, but was undecided from day to day what course to take. When Sayler was with her she did as he said; when he was absent she became undecided, and indecision is wearing on any one. She began to wish Sayler somewhere else.

When Hastings got the challenge that he was a month working for, his reply was ready. As the challenged party he had the choice of terms. He sent a reply that these terms were six chamber revolvers, the distance five paces, the firing to continue till both men were unable to fire any longer or the chambers of both revolvers were emptied.

Sayler sent a reply that no one could be expected to fight under terms that meant death probably to both parties, and he considered the matter at an end. Hastings sent word that death was exactly what he meant and what he would have sooner or later. Then he resumed his insults.

By this time the friends of both parties began to get an inkling as to what was the trouble and sympathy went with Hastings. Sayler began to look careworn. All his aggressiveness was gone, he ceased to talk loud and volubly, he went about with a hangdog look. Meanwhile he had discontinued his visits to Mrs. Hastings.

Then came the last insult of the series. Hastings, meeting his enemy in the club, said to him publicly:

"You're a coward and won't fight, but I'll make you fight before I get through with you."

The next day Sayler sent a friend to Hastings to know what would satisfy him. Hastings replied that he could only be appeased by Sayler's leaving the country under a written promise not to communicate with Mrs. Hastings and never return. Then there were negotiations in which Sayler tried to get better terms. He failed, Hastings standing firm in requiring either death or absence. Finally Sayler yielded, sold out his business and went to England, leaving a paper in Hastings' hands exonerating Mrs. Hastings and agreeing never again to see or communicate with her.

Hastings took the paper home, told his wife what he had been doing and showed her the paper. She was not only astonished, but could not understand how she had been oblivious to so much resolution in the one man and lack of manliness in the other. She would have given worlds to undo what she had done and regain her husband's love.

"I have done it for our children," he said. "You and I will live together as husband and wife for their sake."

As years rolled by and Hastings became convinced that there had been nothing criminal on the part of his wife he forgave her.

Thus was a family saved from a perpetual horror by the resolution of its head. It goes to show that a timid man may under a great stimulus be the quintessence of bravery.

F. A. MITCHEL.

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This legislature knows beans at all events. It has changed the legal weight of a bushel of that fruit from sixty-two to sixty pounds. This was a change demanded for the sake of uniformity and in the interest of an important line of trade. In other states the legal weight has long been sixty pounds, while Maine has stuck at the larger number for no particular reason. The result has been to handicap and embarrass the Maine dealer. Bearing in mind the extra two pounds, in order to guard against loss he was obliged to quote his beans a little higher than the Boston market, for example. Consequently purchasers, seeing the difference in price and unmindful of the difference in weight, would buy in Boston.—Portland Press.

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"Boohoo! I'm selfish an' thoughtless, an' w'en Willie here generously offered me a lady's bite of his candy I went an' took a hog bite."—New York Evening Journal.

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The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt, of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption turned despair into joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief, and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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In all its stages.

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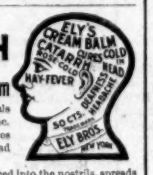

cleanses, soothes and heals the diseased membrane. It cures catarrh and drives away a cold in the head quickly.

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We Are Receiving Daily New Cloaks.

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Our fine Pattern Hats will go at Cost; $10 Hats $7, and $8 Hats for $5. and $5 Hats for $3.50, $16 Hats for $10. Our ready to wear Hats that were $3.75; all reduced to $1.50.

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A new lot of fine Skirts to arrive Tuesday, December 15th.

Waist, Stock Collars, Silk Mufflers.

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Success

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Our Xmas trade was all that could be expected. For which I thank you.

Truly yours,

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The Steamer Highlander will leave Mondays and Thursdays, and the Steamer City of Fayetteville Tuesdays and Fridays at 4 P. M. for Fayetteville. Gate will close at 3:30 P. M., and no freight will be received for steamer leaving at 4 after 3:30.

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SCHEDULE

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Effective October 21st, 1903.

LEAVE.

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*7.00 A. M.	9.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.00 P. M.	4.45 P. M.
†6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.30 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.
†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach.

FREIGHT.

Small freight shipments will be carried on all passenger cars except 3 P. M. trips. Special arrangements for transportation of large shipments or bulky freight can be made by applying at the office. dec 15 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Aug. 2, 1903.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 01 p m	9 35 p m
Ar Wilson	1 18 p m	10 35 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 23 p m
Ar Norfolk	6 51 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 56 p m	1 25 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 53 p m	3 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	3 43 a m
Ar Washington	11 40 p m	7 50 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 29 a m	9 13 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 15 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 35 a m	9 27 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 12 p m	2 37 a m
Ar Washington	3 32 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	5 30 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 48 a m
Ar Weldon	9 43 p m	11 46 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 37 p m	1 00 p m
Ar Wilson	11 18 p m	1 59 p m
Ar Goldsboro	7 16 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 45 p m	7 00 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 30 p m	8 35 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 15 p m	5 15 a m
Ar Savannah	6 30 p m	3 00 a m	6 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	9 00 a m	1 15 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	19 35 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 30 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Savannah	12 40 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	4 50 p m	6 05 a m
Ar Florence	7 35 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 20 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 00 a m	Ar 7 50 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 35 p m	Ar 4 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	3 35 p m	Ar 12 15 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

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Seaboard

Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Aug. 30, 1903.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington 3:15 p. m, arrive Lumberton 5:35 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:45 p m, Hamlet 7:35 p m, arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 9:15 a m, Pembroke 9:55 a m, Maxton 4 05 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m, Hamlet 8:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:03 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:35 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 30 a m	10 40 p m
Ar Monroe	9 05 a m	12 15 a m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	10 35 a m	1 35 a m
Ar Greenwood	12 33 p m	3 43 a m
Ar Athens	3 50 p m	6 55 a m
Ar Atlanta	5 50 p m	7 50 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 25 a m	10 40 p m
Ar Columbia	10 55 a m	1 50 a m
Ar Savannah	3 00 p m	5 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	6 50 p m	9 15 a m
Ar Tampa	6 45 a m	6 00 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	8 35 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 25 a m	11 50 a m
Ar Norlina	3 50 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Portsmouth	8 00 a m	5 35 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 25 a m	11 15 a m
Ar Norlina	3 50 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Richmond	6 35 a m	4 55 p m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m	8 36 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 25 p m	11 25 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 13 p m

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and Southwest.

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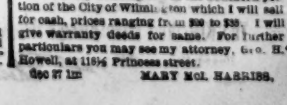

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Passe'r Trains Arrive	Passe'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Passe'r Trains Arrive	Passe'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M		A. M	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 25	Atkinson	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newport	9 00	9 05
7 03	7 07	Morehead City	7 53	7 57
P. M.	P. M.		A. M	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N at New bern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 8.00 P. M, and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 7.

FLYING MACHINE AT KITTY HAWK, N. C.

The Inventors' Statement of Successful Trial Trips Made—Directly Against the Wind.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DAYTON, O., Jan. 6.—The Wright brothers, inventors of the flying machine which attracted such widespread attention, have prepared the following, which they say is the first correct statement of the two successful trials made by them:

"On the morning of December 17th, between 10:30 and noon, flights were made—two by Orville Wright and two by Wilbur Wright. The starts were all made from a point on the level and about 200 feet east of our camp, which is situated a quarter of a mile north of Kill Devil Sandhill, in Dare county, North Carolina. The wind at the time of the flights had a velocity of twenty-seven miles an hour, as recorded by the anemometer of the Kitty Hawk weather bureau station. This anemometer is thirty feet from the ground. Our own measurements made with a hand anemometer at a height of four feet from the ground, showed a velocity of about twenty-two miles when the first flight was made and twenty-two and a half when the last flight was made. The flight was made directly against the wind. Each time the machine started from the level ground by its own power with no assistance from gravity or any other source whatever. After a run of about forty feet along a mono-rail track which held the machine eight inches from the ground, it rose from the track and under the direction of the operator climbed upward until an inclined height of eight or ten feet from the ground was reached, after which the course was kept as near horizontal as the wind-gusts and the limited skill of the operator would permit.

Into the teeth of a December gale the "Flyer" made its way forward with a speed of ten miles an hour over the ground and thirty to thirty-five an hour through the air. It had previously been decided for reasons of personal safety that these first trials should be made as close to the ground as possible.

The succeeding flights rapidly increased in length, and at the fourth trial a flight of fifty-nine seconds was made in which the machine flew a little more than half a mile through the air and a distance of more than 852 feet over the ground. The landing was due to a slight error of judgment on the part of the operator. After passing over a little hummock of sand in attempting to bring the machine down to the desired height the operator turned the rudder too far and the machine turned downward more quickly than had been expected. The reverse movement of the rudder was a fraction of a second too late to prevent the machine from touching the ground and thus ending the flight. The occurrence occupied little if any more than one second of time.

"Only those who are acquainted with practical aeronautics can appreciate the difficulties in attempting the first trials of a flying machine in a twenty-five mile gale. As winter was already set in we should have postponed our trials to a more favorable season, but for the fact that we were determined before returning home to know whether the machine possessed sufficient power to fly, sufficient strength to withstand the shock of landings, and sufficient capacity of control to make flights in a boisterous as well as in calm air. When the points had been definitely established, we at once packed our goods and returned home, knowing that the age of the flying machine had come at last.

"From the beginning we have employed entirely new principles on control, and as all the experiments have been conducted at our own expense without assistance from any individual, or institution, we do not feel ready at present to give out any particulars of detailed description of the machine."

GEN. LONGSTREET'S FUNERAL.

Services Conducted by Bishop Kelley, of Savannah, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GAINESVILLE, GA., Jan. 6.—Thousands of Georgia citizens, former comrades of General James Longstreet, veterans who fought by his side and under his command during the war between the States, State officials and private citizens, gathered to-day to pay their last tribute to his memory, as his remains were consigned to their last resting place.

The funeral services were held in the large court room of the county building, and the rites of the Catholic church were conducted by Right Rev. Benjamin J. Kelley, Bishop of Savannah, and a soldier under Gen. Longstreet from 1861 to 1864. The casket was banked in floral tributes, the remembrances of hundreds of friends and Confederate organizations from every portion of the South.

MAY BE ABOLISHED

The Office of Railroad Commissioner Held by Gen. Longstreet.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Secretary Hitchcock, of the Interior Department, has recommended to the President that the office of railroad commissioner, held by the late Gen. Jas. Longstreet, be abolished. It seems probable now that the recommendation will be adopted, and that no successor to General Longstreet will be appointed. For two years the Interior Department has made no effort for the salary of railroad commissioner, the necessary appropriation for General Longstreet's salary of $5,000 being made by Congress on its own initiative. The duties of the office practically have been absorbed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Sergeant Julius Frederick, arctic explorer and member of the Greely expedition, died at his home in Indianapolis yesterday.

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BRISTOW REPORT IN THE SENATE.

Debate on Carmacks' Resolution to Refer Investigation to the Postoffice Committee.

RESISTED BY TELEGRAPH.

Carmack Made Plea for a Senatorial Inquiry Into Postoffice Department Frauds — Sustained by Clay, Gorman and Others.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Alleged irregularities in the Postoffice Department consumed nearly all the time in Senate to-day. The question came up on a motion first made by Mr. Lodge and afterward by Mr. Penrose, to refer the Carmack resolution looking to a senatorial investigation of the department to the Committee on Postoffices and Postroads. The Democratic senators resisted the motion and contended that the country would not be satisfied with an investigation of a department made by the department itself. The debate continued for almost two and a half hours and was extremely spirited from start to finish.

Mr. Carmack resisted Mr. Lodge's motion, declaring that if departmental irregularities were to be investigated only by the department themselves, it would not be long until they would be "a stench in the nostrils of the people." The only safeguard was in congressional investigation, he said.

Mr. Clay expressed surprise that there should be opposition to the resolution, and called attention to the declarations by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow and Counsellors Bonaparte and Conrad that the investigation should be carried further. He declared that the Bristow report "demonstrates the absolute guilt of the late first assistant postmaster general, Mr. Heath. He (Bristow) says himself that this leading high official was guilty, and the proof is overwhelming. If this is true, Mr. Heath should have been indicted. I will do Mr. Bristow the credit to say that this report shows that frauds of the Postoffice Department originated in Mr. Heath's office. If so, he must have had cognizance of them. Then why should the subordinates in that office be indicted and the principal be allowed to escape?"

Mr. Clay quoted extracts from the Bristow report to substantiate his argument, referring especially to the purchase of cash registers, in which connection Mr. Bristow said that the element of fraud could not be eliminated. "If," he said, "this report speaks the truth, Perry Heath originated all the frauds in his office."

"If," he continued, "the report is not correct, the fact should be known and Mr. Heath vindicated. If the charges are well founded Mr. Heath should be indicted and punished." As for himself, he did not want to do any injustice to Mr. Heath or others, and for this reason he desired the investigation.

Reference also was made to the negotiations with D. S. Richardson concerning the Montague indicator, in which Mr. Clay said there were many suspicious features pointing to Mr. Heath.

Mr. Clay declared his conviction, from a thorough reading of the Bristow report, that Mr. Bristow had been satisfied beyond a doubt that the guiltiest party of all was the retired first assistant postmaster general, yet he has never been indicted or arrested. "In the interest of fair play, in the interest of good government and clean administration," he said, "there should be an inquiry, and I am surprised that my friend the senator from Massachusetts, (Mr. Lodge) should object."

Mr. Clay also declared that the President had reflected seriously upon Mr. Heath, and had desired the retirement of Mr. Heath from the secretaryship of the Republican national committee.

Mr. Clay was careful to say that he intended no reflection upon Mr. Wynne, the present first assistant postmaster general; on the contrary, he took pains to speak in high terms of Mr. Wynne, saying that he had given material assistance to the department inquiry.

Mr. Carmack made a general plea for a senatorial inquiry and the reason given by him was the newspaper report to the effect that the postmaster general had not been in sympathy with the Postoffice Department inquiry when undertaken, and that he had pronounced the Tulloch charges to be "hot air."

The statement aroused Mr. Spooner, who said that the charge did great injustice to the postmaster general. So far as the Bristow inquiry was concerned Mr. Payne had been in thorough sympathy with it, and had placed the entire machinery of the department at the command of the official who had made this most remorseless inquiry.

Mr. Carmack repeated the report that Mr. Payne had referred to the Tulloch charges as "hot air," and Mr. Spooner replied that Mr. Payne had remained at his desk in this city day after day all last summer, while the inquiry was in progress, notwithstanding he was in very poor health, devoting every energy to seeing that "the truth should be brought out and the department purged of every element of graft."

Mr. Carmack declared the irregularities in the Postoffice Department had shown an inefficiency in the administration.

Mr. Spooner said there could not be any disputing the fact that inefficiency had been shown, and that it was begun in the Cleveland administration.

Mr. Gorman said he was willing to have all the resolutions calling for investigation of the Postoffice Department referred to the Committee on Postoffices and Postroads, as he had received assurances from the chairman that prompt action would be taken.

In this connection, however, he said, he wanted to call attention to the fact that all of the debate on this subject had but emphasized the necessity for an investigation of the Postoffice Department. He said he had no desire to investigate any particular officer; that he believed the investigation should be much broader than that, as the irregularities had crept in by degrees and their corruption possibly had been a part of three or more administrations. It has now reached a point where men who are corrupt themselves have disclosed the corruption of others.

"My purpose," he added, "is not so much to expose this corruption as by the action of Congress in making protective laws to eliminate the chance of such corruption in the future in the Postoffice Department.

Mr. Spooner asked if Mr. Gorman would not be willing to supplement that suggestion by calling upon Congress for a thorough investigation of all departments at stated periods. Mr. Gorman answered that he would be willing to make the change, but for the present he was content to deal with the question in hand. Continuing, he declared that the corruption was not a party matter; that the present postmaster general could not have been responsible for the state of affairs in his department, as it started before he entered upon his duties at the head of the department.

The senator expressed a willingness to do justice to the President "in this time of trouble in his official household," but said he could not understand why the Republicans in the Senate had persistently refused to give to the minority official information concerning the departments. He declared that the determination to ignore the wishes of the minority had been manifest at this session for the first time since he had been a member of the Senate. He called attention to the resolutions introduced by himself, by Mr. Carmack and by Mr. Penrose, asking for the Bristow reports of the Postoffice investigation, and declared that every effort to get this information had been thwarted by the Republicans.

A severe denunciation of the charge of suppression of information was made by Mr. Lodge, who said that he was thoroughly tired of that old weak-kneed story which had been made over and over again by senators on the other side of the chamber. He said it is quite true that the Republicans had nearly two-thirds of the members of the Senate and that he wanted to inform the other side that they were thoroughly responsible for their conduct of affairs, and that as they were responsible they proposed to conduct their affairs in their own way. Continuing, he said: "We are not afraid of daylight; we are not afraid of the senator from Maryland, and least of all we are not afraid of that old time-worn story of suppression of public information."

After some further colloquy between Messrs. Spooner and Teller over caucus control of party action in the Senate, an agreement was reached to postpone further discussion of the postoffice question until Friday next, and the Senate adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The only measure considered in the House to-day was a bill introduced by the delegate from Hawaii to ratify an act of the Hawaiian Legislature to authorize the manufacture and distribution of electric light and power on the Island of Oahu, territory of Hawaii, which came up for consideration under call of committees. Owing to objections made to the bill in the form presented it was recommitted to the committee on territories. Reference was made by Mr. Robinson to the absence of delegate Kalaniana'ole, saying the committee was embarrassed on that account.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The House Committee on the Judiciary to-day appointed Representative Palmer of Pennsylvania, Pearce of Maryland and Clayton of Alabama as a subcommittee to go to Florida and investigate the impeachment charges which have been filed against U. S. District Judge Swayne, of the northern district of Florida. A meeting of the subcommittee was held after the adjournment of the House at which a request was formulated to be sent to the parties making the charges initiating the impeachment proceedings for detailed specifications setting forth wherein Judge Swayne has been guilty of official misconduct.

CONDITION ON ANARCHY IN SAN DOMINGO.

Revolutionists Attacked the City of San Domingo, But Were Repulsed--Fighting at Other Places.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SAN DOMINGO, Sunday, Jan. 3.—The gunboat Independencia arrived here last night with two captured Dominican schooners in tow. The schooners carried arms and munitions of war intended for coast defence.

The Independencia bombarded the suburbs of the city to-day with the object of driving the revolutionists out.

It is officially reported that Bani and San Cristobal have been retaken by the government troops.

There was a severe encounter between the government troops and the revolutionists at Haina, with a result favorable to the government.

The tug Ana, the property of an estate at Saniedro, was prevented by the revolutionists from reaching the estate, and the owners applied for protection to United States Minister Powell. The latter informed the government officials that if they could not protect the Ana he would. Commander Merit, of the United States gunboat Newport, furnished an armed convoy for the Ana, equipped with a field gun.

There was a severe attack on the city this evening, but the troops managed to repulse the revolutionists.

"Fighting at Sousa December 2nd, between Mora and Jiminez troops took place on United Fruit Company's property. Without notice houses were looted, lives of United States citizens absolutely disregarded, women and children had to flee for safety, property destroyed. Have forbidden any fighting or any armed force of any party within certain limits necessary to protect lives of United States citizens at Sousa. British steamer Pallas here. Have joined British captain in note to military commander here holding him responsible for any disorder and telling him that we would take such prompt action as we see fit in case of disorder.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Under date of Puerto Plata, San Domingo, January 5th, the Navy Department has received a telegram from Commander Dillingham, of the cruiser Detroit, giving an account of a state of demoralization in that vicinity. The dispatch reads:

"In this vicinity anarchy prevails, business is at a standstill. Puerto Plata is quiet at present. Jiminez authorities are collecting duties and dues. Jiminez is at Santiago. Revolution is not one of principle but between factions. Will not allow interruption of commerce.

A BOLD ROBBERY.

Chicago Jeweller Held Up in His Office and Robbed of $4,2000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—With persons busy in offices all about him, David Freeman, a jeweller, with offices on the sixteenth story of the Masonic Temple building, was held up by two men to-day and robbed of $4,300 in currency, diamonds and watches. A dagger was pointed at Freeman's heart, and he was threatened with instant death, he says, and forced to go down on his knees and open his safe. The men forced their victim to open his safe as well as the show cases containing the jewelry. He was then locked in a small closet used as a lavatory.

The British steamship Knight Errant sailed from Norfolk yesterday with 11,500 tons of steam coal shipped to an importing firm in Yokohama, Japan, but for the use, it is said, of the Japanese navy.

Special Rates via Seaboard Air Line.

Atlanta, Ga. Department of Supt's. National Education Association. Tickets on sale February 21st and 22nd, final limit Feb. 27th. Fare for round trip from Wilmington $18.00.

TERRIBLE WRECK NEAR TOPEKA, KS.

Head-on Collision Between an Express Train and Freight on Rock Island Road.

20 KILLED AND 37 INJURED.

Greatest Loss of Life in the Third Car of the Passenger Train—All in Darkness--Harrowing Scenes—The Cause of the Accident.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TOPEKA, KANSAS, Jan. 6.—Twenty persons were killed and thirty-seven injured in a head-on collision between the Rock Island, California and Mexico express and a freight train at Willard this morning. Most of the injured are in hospitals in Topeka. The doctors announce that all will recover with the exception of Mrs. M. A. Hill, of Greensburg, Kansas.

The dead: Mrs. Henry K. Kaiger, Durham, Kansas; Wm. Wells, Jacksonville, Illinois; Wm. J. Wells, Jacksonville, Illinois, W. S. Martin, residence unknown; Fay Fuller, Blockton, Iowa; E. Rankin, DeKalb, Missouri; E. E. Myers, Buffalo, New York; woman, aged 30 years, very stout, unidentified; woman, 35 years, unidentified; woman, 40 years old, unidentified; girl, 3 years old, unidentified; boy 13 years old, unidentified; boy, 8 years old, unidentified; girl, 9 years old, unidentified; girl, 17 years old, unidentified; woman, 35 years old, with ticket to Tyrone, Oklahoma; James Griffith, Claremont, Missouri; man, 35 years old, DeKalb, Missouri, unidentified; Raymond Martin, Chillicothe, Missouri; —— Forest, died on train.

It is thought that carelessness of trainmen caused the wreck. Instructed to meet a special freight train at Willard, the engineer and conductor of the ill-fated passenger, noting that a freight train stood on the side-track at Willard, rushed through, thinking that the cars they had seen were the ones which they had been instructed to pass. Upon seeing at Willard a freight train on the siding, Engineer Benjamin threw open the throttle and under the impetus of full steam the passenger train leaped into the darkness and crashed along at a rate which the passengers declare to have been fully 65 miles an hour. A formal inquest was held at the wreck to day by Coroner Dooley of Waybunsee county. The investigation will be continued to-morrow.

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H. G. Parsons, a reporter of the Topeka *State Journal*, who was on the wrecked Rock Island train, arrived in Topeka at 8 o'clock this morning after driving overland from the scene of the collision. Parsons escaped with slight injuries, while two persons on the seat in front of him were killed. Parsons tells the following story of the wreck:

"I was in the third car of the passenger train, the first coach having been preceded by a smoker and baggage car, that the greatest loss of life occurred. The smoker, which was occupied by only two or three men, was overturned and pushed through the car behind it, which was crowded with passengers, some standing in the aisle. The first warning given the passengers in this car was when the sudden setting of the air-brakes shut off the lights, leaving all in darkness. A moment later a mass of splintered wood and iron was crowded down upon them. No one was thrown out of his seat by the blow. Most of those in the forward end of the car were killed instantly. Thirty in the rear end of the coach, however, succeeded in escaping from that end of the car which was still unobstructed. No one in the front half of the car escaped. They were crushed down between the seats by the smoker. When rescue was finally possible three living persons were taken out by the rescuers who were compelled to chop holes in the side and through the floor and top of the coach to reach them.

"The three rescued from this portion were a man, a small girl and a middle-aged woman who were moaning and begging to be taken out. One man, hurt internally, was removed through the rear door within five minutes after the collision, but died almost as soon as the rescuers could lay him down. A woman died two hours later while trying to tell a physician her name. A dozen men had worked on the place where she seemed to be before she was extricated.

Bonnie Martin, a girl 11 years of age, was pinned down between the two cars, the heavy stove resting on one foot. Her cries attracted the rescuers and men, many of them bleeding from wounds about the face and arms, worked heroically to get her out. It took two hours of steady work to relieve her. When she was taken out she addressed a doctor who was bending over her as 'papa.' The physician did not have the heart to tell her that she was an orphan, her father and mother having been killed. Mr. Martin was killed instantly and Mrs. Martin died ten minutes after being taken out of the wreck. The child was suffering with a broken ankle, where the heavy stove fell on her, and caused severe contusions. She was put to sleep by a hydodermic injection to relive the pain.

"Some of the bodies found in the wreckage were so badly crushed as to be unrecognizable. Through a hole chopped in one side of the car the body of a gray-haired, heavy set man and a woman with long yellow hair were visible. Fires were built along the track at short intervals, and by the light of these the rescuers, in their eagerness to remove the victims, chopped openings in the wrecked coach until exhausted; then handed their axes to others. The entire sides of the car had been chopped away when the work was completed. Occasionally the rescuers would desist upon an alarm being raised by watchers, who declared that the chopping away of the coach was letting the smoker down upon the victims. So terrific was the force of the collision that the smoker left the trucks in its backward rush, leaving the trucks still upon the track. Not a wheel in the entire passenger train seemed to be off the track.

"The freight train fared differently. The four cars immediately behind the engine were crushed into kindling. Dead and dying cattle littered the right of way, while many which had escaped from the cars uninjured ran about, adding to the confusion.

"On the passenger train, in the sleeper, was a young physician who walked with a crutch as the result of some spinal trouble. He was thrown down and slightly injured, but was the first man to emerge from the sleeper and immediately began aiding the injured. He had a portion of the chair-car and the berths in the sleeper cleared, and to them the victims were carried. The physician was without instruments or medicine, and the only thing he could do was to bind up wounds with bandages which he made by tearing up sleeper sheets and pillow cases, and giving the patients whiskey to deaden the pain.

"The young doctor found a fireman who was injured in the leg. An artery was broken, and he took it up with a penknife and tied it with a thread, probably preventing the fireman from bleeding to death. He performed innumerable acts of a like nature before the arrival of the Topeka physicians."

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE SITUATION UNCHANGED.

Believed in Tokio that Further Negotiations Will Take Place—Movement of Warships—Engineers.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

TOKIO, January 6.—It is believed here that the Russian response has been handed to the government, but the secret of its delivery has been jealously guarded and the nature of the reply remains undisclosed. Minister of Foreign Affairs Komaru called this afternoon upon Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister to Japan, with whom he remained an hour, and later he visited Premier Katsura, when an extended conference was held. There is every indication now that further negotiations will take place, although it is expected that Japan will refuse to transfer the discussion of affairs to St. Petersburg if this is proposed.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Tokio says: "All the Russian warships recently at Vladivostock are reported to have sailed, probably for Port Arthur. Russia's reply has not yet been received by Japan. There is a strong, widespread tendency to doubt the reports of an alleged conciliatory character."

The party of marine engineers from the Clyde district engaged by the Japanese government to proceed immediately to Japan, presumably for service on board transports, sailed for Japan yesterday. Another draft of Scotch engineers left Govan quietly for Japan a week ago.

A detachment of one hundred and twenty British naval pensioners and naval reserve men and ten British officers started for Genoa, Italy, today to assist in the navigation to the Far East of the Japanese warships Kasaga and Nissin. The railroad station was crowded with sightseers, who manifested great enthusiasm. There were repeated cheers for the "gallant little Japs."

LONDON, Jan. 7.—There are two indications this morning that nothing has developed in the Far Eastern question and nothing is likely to develop until the end of the week. The first of these indications, according to the Turkish correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* is that no urgency meeting of the Japanese cabinet has been called for to day, and the second is that the members of the British cabinet have been notified to assemble on Saturday.

The meeting of the Japanese cabinet has almost certainly been called for the purpose of considering the reply to the last Japanese note, and it is equally certain that the meeting of the British cabinet will be for the purpose of discussing the attitude of Great Britain in the light of the Russian reply.

This question is beginning to be most anxiously discussed by the British press.

Editorials in this morning's papers are almost unanimous in admitting that even if the war should be confined to Russia and Japan, Great Britain cannot possibly see Japan crushed and that although not called upon to interfere by the terms of the Anglo-Japanese treaty and that while hostilities may be confined to the two nations, yet in the event of Japan suffering a great naval defeat Great Britain would be almost compelled to go to her assistance.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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Wanted at Virginia House—Steady, sober gentlemen boarders. No others need ap. ply 118 Market street, over Taylor's Bazaar. dec 29 1m

Seed Rice—For sale in lots to suit; 500 bushels Golden Seed Rice, grown on Big Island N. C., in soil from Nesbit's best quality of seed. Alex. Sprunt & Son. jan 7 D4w W3w th sat

Mrs. Andrew J. Howell, Jr., instructor in short hand and typewriting. jan 7 3t.

Lost—A pair of spectacles in case having on it name of George Honnet. Aluminum frames. Reasonable reward for delivery at the STAR office. jan 5 3t

Sewing Machines, Typewriters, Organs repaired. Will be in town for a few days only. Address J. B. Farrar, No. 9 South Eighth street. dec 30 tf

For Sale—Two turpentine stills in good working condition—one especially good. Cheap for cash. C. W. Worth, receiver. dec 13 tf

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For Sale—Finest Berkshires. Three brood sows, two of them bred to farrow in March, two 7 months gilts, two 7 months boars, five sucking boar pigs, two boars 15 months old. Bargains in each lot till January 1st. L. L. Bellar, Wilmington, N. C. dec 6 3 mos.

The Only Restaurant, 108 Market street, is the only ladies' restaurant in the city. First-class in every respect. Open day and night. Terms reasonable. nov 12 tf

Let us put a new collar on your overcoat. Wilmington Pressing Club, 207 Market street. oct 8 tf

Wrapping Paper—For sale, several thousand Old Newspapers, all sizes, suitable for wrapping paper, and just the thing to put under carpets and matting. Will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Apply at the STAR office. oct 4 tf

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S. W. SANDERS.

Both Phones 109. de 27 tf

Stock Taking Time Has Come.

We would rather have the money than the goods. In every department this week we will make a special effort to reduce the stock by cutting the prices.

In our Cloak Department we have a nice line of cloaks just received that are $5 values that we will sell at $3.25. We also have a very good line of cloaks that we are selling at $5. The military cloaks, the latest and newest goods out, with brass buttons, which we sold at $8, we will now sell at $6 50.

We have a good many Furs left that we are trying to unload before the season is over. In this department we are offering a special discount of 15 per cent. on the entire line, making our $1 furs sell for 85c., and a $3 fur for $2 55; a $5 fur for $4 25.

In infants and small children's cloaks we have advertised very strongly, but we want to sell the goods, as we have too many of them. In this department we will offer 15 per cent. discount on our wholesale prices, and we have them at all prices from 50c. to $4 50. The long cashmere cloaks for small infants, nicely trimmed in silk and braid at $1.25 each, less 15 per cent.

Silk and Wool Baby Caps.

In this department we have wool hoods for 10c. each. A beautiful wool hood finished in silk for 25c. each. Children's silk bonnets at 50c. each; beautiful silk caps at 25c., 35c. and 50c. each.

Blankets.

Blankets we have at all prices. Cotton Blankets as low as 40c each and a good Blanket to close out at 75c a pair; our $1.25 Cotton Blankets we will sell at $1.00. Elkins Mills all-wool Blankets we want to close out, as we have a very few left and we will sell the 10 quarter Blankets for $3.25, regular price $4 00. Our Chester field 12-quarter Blankets, the finest Blankets sold in the city, worth $7.50 a pair, our price $5 00 a pair. In Comforts we have a good 50c Comfort we will sell at 38c, and a $1.00 Comfort for 75.

Christmas Goods.

We have only a few left, but what we have is new and desirable goods. We will sell one-fourth less than first price. A $1.00 article we will sell at 75 cents.

Felt Slippers for Ladies and Children.

We have them at all prices, from 50c to $1.25. In our Shoe Department we handle a strong line of Ladies' Shoes. Our Southern Belle is $1.50 and our Vicious is $1.50. Both kinds are fully guaranteed to look well and wear well. If they do not give perfect satisfaction with reasonable wear we will gladly give a new pair in exchange. In our small Children's shoe department we handle the Liliputian line. They are just as soft as gloves, solid leather and only 50c a pair; they are little beauties. We sell the youths' shoe, solid leather, from 3 to 5½ at $1 a pair; they look well and wear well. In men's shoes, we handle a full line of Snow's hand sewed shoes, price from $2.25 to $3 50. William Kneeland's fine hand sewed shoes, the best goods in the country, from $3 to $4.50 a pair, and we sell the Battle Axe shoe, all solid in every part, from $1.25 to $3 a pair; we sell the Heart and Arrow brand of men's shoes that are the best wearers in cheap shoes made, that are absolutely guaranteed to be all solid, from $1.25 to $2. We also sell a full line of men's shoes at $1 a pair; they are nice, stylish shoes and look well.

In rubbers, we have rubber boots; rubber shoes in all grades. One box of rubber shoes for children at 10c a pair; one lot at 15c a pair; one lot of ladies' rubber shoes at 15c a pair; one box of men's rubbers at 25c a pair; our best storm rubbers for ladies at 30c a pair and for men at 75c a pair.

Men's Hats.

In the hat department, we have a big line of men's hats, which we bought at half price. We will sell you a beautiful $1.25 hat for 75c; a $2 hat for $1.25 and a $1.50 hat for $1; we also have a big line of men's sample hats which we sell absolutely at first cost.

Hosiery Department.

In this department we have recently added a line of Fay Stockings for children, prices 20, 35 and 40c a pair; they are well worth the money and when once tried are used all the time; we will be glad to show them to you. We still sell the best children's hose sold in the city for 10c. a pair, all sizes from 5 to 9½, fast black and seamless. We also handle a line of heavy black school hose for boys in sizes from 5 to 9½ at 12½c. a pair. In ladies heavy ribbed black hose with tight fitting ankles and prettily shaped we have them at 15c. a pair. We also handle a full line for women, children and men hose for 5c. a pair.

Overalls.

The Head Light is OUR brand. They are the best overall sold in the city. Every seam felled; every yard of cloth shrunk and every garment warranted on a ten days trial. The Head Light is the best. Give them a trial and be content, at $1 each.

We have no dull season and will not have it dull. To do business is to make business. We want your trade. We offer better values than ever and are still giving presents free. We punch cards with all cash purchases and give you a present which you will appreciate. If not, why not? Begin now with the New Year. The old year is gone and we did well; we can do better this year if we get your trade at the People's Big Basket Store.

Geo. O. Gaylord,

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jan 3 tf 208 and 210 North Front Street.

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jan 6 tf 615, 617, 619 North Fourth St.

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